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1. SUMMARY: USUN CONCURS IN ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION OF OECD REFTEL. FOCUS OF UN ACTIVITIES IN MONTHS IMMEDIATELY AHEAD WILL CLEARLY BE ON ECONOMIC/FINANCIAL QUESTIONS. DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SEE THE UN AS A PRINCIPLE FORUM FOR GENERATING MOVEMENT ON COMMODITY AND TRADE ISSUES, AND WILL UTILIZE THE VARIOUS UN MEETINGS BEGINNING IN MARCH AS BUILDING BLOCS FOR THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GA IN SEPTEMBER AND THE 30TH GA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING. ONLY A CONCERTED AND POSITIVE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES' APPROACH CAN OFFSET ONE-SIDED OUTCOME AND PRODUCE A CONSTRUCTIVE RESULT. OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (DC'S) CLEARLY LOOKING TO US FOR LEADERSHIP. CONFRONTATION, IN UN FRAMEWORK AS AT THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION, WOULD HINDER AND IN SOME INSTANCES ACTUALLY THREATEN US EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH ECONOMIC ISSUES, INCLUDING ENERGY, IN NON-UN FORA. FURTHERMORE, SHARPENED CONFRONTATION ON ECONOMIC ISSUES WOULD VASTLY COMPLICATE DISCUSSIONS OF POLITICAL QUESTIONS AT THE UN. END SUMMARY.

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2. FROM OUR VANTAGE POINT HERE WE SEE THE SEVENTH SPECIAL

SESSION OF GA IN SEPTEMBER, 1975, AND MEETINGS LEADING UP TO IT, AS A CRITICAL TEST OF WHETHER THE UN CAN MOVE FROM CONFRONTATION TO NEGOTIATION AND COMPROMISE. WE HAVE CONSIDERABLE EVIDENCE THAT AT LEAST WITH MODERATES AMONG LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES/NON-ALIGNED GROUP (LDC/NAG) THERE IS A GREATER WILLINGNESS TO SEEK ACCOMMODATION. WE ARE DEVELOPING STRATEGY NOW IN PREPARATIONS FOR SPECIAL SESSION TO MAXIMIZE THAT WILLINGNESS.

3. A PRIME ELEMENT IN THIS STRATEGY MUST BE TO DEMONSTRATE TANGIBLY THAT DC'S MEAN TO WORK CONSTRUCTIVELY WITH LDC/NAG ON THE WHOLE RANGE OF ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WHICH ARE THE MOTIVATING FORCE BEHIND THE "NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER." IF THE US CAN TAKE THE LEADERSHIP AS RECOMMENDED IN REFTTEL, AND DC'S MOVE FROM TRADITIONAL BASICALLY DEFENSIVE POSTURE TO AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH ON SOME KEY ISSUES, THIS WILL SET THE STAGE FOR AN ATMOSPHERE OF CONSTRUCTIVE COMPROMISE. PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT ARE COMMODITIES AND INDEXATION.

4. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE EC-9 AND JAPANESE ARE MOVING TOWARD SOME SORT OF ACCOMMODATION WITH LDC DEMANDS IN THE AREA OF COMMODITY AGREEMENTS, INCLUDING BUFFER STOCKS AND PRICE STABILIZATION SCHEMES. THE USG IS IN SOME DANGER OF BEING LEFT BEHIND AND ISOLATED ON THESE ISSUES. WHILE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ARE LOOKING TO THE USG TO PLAY A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE UNGAS VII, IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN GENERAL WILL FEEL THAT IT IS IN THEIR NATIONAL INTEREST TO FOLLOW THE USG LEAD INTO SPLENDID ISOLATION. THIS BEING THE CASE, OECD OFFERS AN EXCELLENT FORUM TO BUILD A DC POLICY CONSENSUS ON KEY ISSUES.

5. LDC/NAG ARE ALREADY IN CONTINUOUS CONSULTATION ON THEIR STRATEGY AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH SERIES OF MEETINGS IN COMING MONTHS (E.G. CO-ORDINATING BUREAU OF NON-ALIGNED IN HAVANA MARCH 3-5, NA MINISTERIAL MEETING IN LIMA IN AUGUST).

6. OUR TIME-TABLE MUST BE GEARED TO SERIES OF UN CONFERENCES BEGINNING IN EARLY MARCH--UNCTAD AND UNIDO, ECOSOC AND

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ITS COMMISSIONS, PRECOMS FOR UNGA SPECIAL SESSION, THIS TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. IF WE CAN BEGIN TO CONVEY THE RIGHT SIGNALS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, THIS WILL STRENGTHEN THE HAND OF THE MODERATES TO KEEP LDC/NAG POSITIONS FROM FREEZING PREMATURELY AND FACILITATE GENUINE NEGOTIATION. BY SHOWING OUR WILLINGNESS TO COMPROMISE, WE SHOULD BE ABLE MORE FORCEFULLY AND EFFECTIVELY TO DEMAND THE SAME FROM THE LDC/NAG.

7. TO NEGOTIATE AND SEEK ACCOMMODATION, WE MUST HAVE SUB-  
STANTIVE POSITIONS ON MAJOR ISSUES BEYOND SIMPLY MAINTENANCE  
OF STATUS QUO OR "THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR." THIS  
IS NOWHERE MORE APPARENT THAN IN THE LINKAGE BETWEEN ENERGY  
AND COMMODITIES ISSUES. WE AGREE THAT FROM USG VANTAGE POINT  
WE MUST "GET IT ALL TOGETHER."

8. CABLE FOLLOWS GIVING MORE DETAIL ON INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS  
NOW UNDERWAY IN PLANNING USUN STRATEGY FOR SPECIAL SESSION,  
AND TIMETABLE REQUIRED FOR US INPUT TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE.  
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